Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Wayne and Gertrude Martin exchanged their wedding vows on September 19, 1948, at Eagle Butte, South Dakota, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newlywed couple of 60 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Wayne and Gertrude gave life and love to four children: Vikki, Gary, Dale, and Debbie, who continued to bless their lives with five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Wayne and Gertrude will gather with family and friends to celebrate their 60th Anniversary on September 20, 2008, with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable occasions in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 19, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State